appropriate environment to children with disabilties in the project area.

## Annual reports of NCM

4058. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have received the annual reports of the National Commission for Minorities for the period 1995-2000;
- (b) whether Government have also received special reports from the commission during the said period;
- (c) if so, whether the major recommendations contained in these annual and special reports have been accepted and implemented; and
  - (d) if so, the details of the action taken on the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (d) During the period, the National Commission for Minorities have submitted Annual Reports pertaining to the years 1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98, 1998-99 and Bi-annual Report, 1999 (upto september, 1999) as well as a number of special reports. Action has been initiated on these reports. Concerned Ministries/departments of the Central Government as well as the State Government have been requested for taking appropriate action and sending details of action taken to the Ministry.

## Inadequacies in implementation of SC/ST welfare programmes

4059. SHRIMATI VANGA GETHA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is fact that there are serious inadequacies reported in the implementation of programmes for the welfare of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;